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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Behrooz Senfi

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- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133).
- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on ____ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
- If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 13) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).
- a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 15) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) ____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). ____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

2. Claims 1 - 4, 11 – 16 and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Yuzawa (US 6,363,061).

Regarding claims 1, 4, 14 and 16, Yuzawa '061 discloses “an image communication for compressing video and audio data of an image and transmitting them” (i.e. fig. 1), in which a packet data frame comprising: “a header data for separating video data and audio data” (i.e. fig. 1, separation unit 11, col. 6, lines 39 – 44), and “a transmission and reception data size based on a communication speed” (i.e. fig. 10, transmission and receiver system), and “compressed audio data and video data” is inherent feature in MPEG for transmission, and “a control index representing an

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information for indicating an additional operation” reads on (fig. 4, section indicator, col. 7, lines 48 – 54), and “a control data for notifying a receiver side of data relating to the additional operation” reads on the other necessary data included in header.

Regarding claims 2 – 3, and 15, Yuzawa '061 shows example of different arrangement of data packets (i.e. figs. 4 – 5) for transmission data and this arrangement is based on the desired information/data, the privacy mode reads on (fig. 4, private indicator), and change in size (reads on fig. 4, code data x N) and image quality and retransmission, reads on (fig. 4, error correction CRC) where indicate an error send the signal of indicating the error and alternatively after correcting the error the signal/data will be retransmitted.

Regarding claims 11 – 13 and 18, Yuzawa '061 discloses, “a sequence number and a CRC are inserted for each different size based on a predetermined value according to the change in image data size indicated by the control index information” (i.e. col. 5, lines 37 – 45).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

4. Claims 5 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yuzawa (US 6,363,061).

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Regarding claims 5 and 17, OFFICIAL NOTICE: Yuzawa '061 teaches transmitter side and the receiver side (i.e. fig. 1), and header data separates the video and audio data (i.e. col. 6, lines 39 – 43).

The Yuzawa '061 reference fails to explicitly teach synchronization. However the claim limitation “synchronization” between the transmitter and the receiver is well-known and obvious to one ordinary skill in the art, since the transmitter and the receiver has to be synchronized in order for the transmitter to transmit the data and the receiver to receive the data properly.

5. Claims 6 – 8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yuzawa (US 6,363,061) in view of Chou et al (US 6,594,798).

Regarding claim 6, Yuzawa '061 teaches communication apparatus for transmitting video and audio data (i.e. fig. 1).

Yuzawa '061 fails to explicitly teach that the quality of the image is based on the compression ratio of a video data to be transmitted. However the above claim limitation is well known in the prior art as evidenced by Chou '798, in particular (i.e. cols. 1 - 2, lines 66 – 40, and col. 13, lines 7+) teaches broadcasting video and audio data at different transmission rates/bandwidth, wherein the quality being progressively better at the higher rates.

Taking the combined teaching of Yuzawa '061 and Chou '798 as a whole it would have been obvious to one ordinary skill in the art that the higher the rate makes more source information through transmission and therefore better quality (i.e. col. 13, lines 7+).

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Regarding claims 7 – 8, combination of Yuzawa '061 and Chou '798, teaches the claimed "sequence number" (i.e. col. 4, lines 26+, col. Lines 9+ of Chou '798).

6. Claims 9 – 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yuzawa (US 6,363,061) in view of Martin (US 5,539,823).

Regarding claims 9 – 10, Yuzawa '061 teaches "an image communication for Compressing video and audio data of an image and transmitting them " (i.e. fig. 1), and "a control index representing an information for indicating an additional operation" reads on (fig. 4, section indicator, col. 7, lines 48 – 54).

Yuzawa '061 fails to explicitly teach "inverse of video or audio data" as claimed. However the above claim limitation is well known in the prior art as evidenced by Martin '823, in particular (i.e. col. 1, lines 35+) teaches video inversion for enhancement of viewing security of the video signal.

Taking the combined teaching of Yuzawa '061 and Martin '823, as a whole it would have been obvious to one ordinary skill in the art to provide video inversion and change modes to enhance viewing security of the video signal (i.e. col. 2, lines 53 - 54+).

Conclusion

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Behrooz Senfi** whose telephone number is **(703)305-0132**.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **Chris Kelley** can be reached on **(703)305-4856**.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relative to the status of the application or proceeding should be directed to the Technology Center 2600 Customer Service Office whose telephone number is (703) 306-0377.

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